

REMARKS

Accompanying this Amendment is an Information Disclosure Statement of prior patents with which the Applicant is familiar. It is respectfully requested that these patents be made of record in this application.

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to the invention of claims 1 to 14 and the invention of claims 15 to 19, contending that these sets of claims define two very different games with different modes of operation.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects invention II, claims 15 to 19, for examination. In view of this election, previous independent claim 1 has been amended to depend from elected independent claim 15, with claim 1 specifying how the deck of cards of claim 15 is biased. Claims 2, 3, 4, 7, 9 and 14 have been canceled. Claim 5 has been amended to depend from claim 17. Claims 6, 8, and 10 to 13 depend from claim 1 and are unamended. Examination of all the remaining claims in this application is respectfully requested.

In view of the restriction requirement, and notwithstanding the foregoing amendment, Applicant intends to file a divisional application directed to the card game as defined in original claims 1 to 14.

An early action on the merits of claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 10 to 13 and 15 to 19, all claims remaining in this application following this amendment, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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